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# MODEL EQUIPMENT OF D. C. PLAY SITES HINDERED BY SPACE

Washington Can Boast of Only One Ground That Is Model.

DIFFICULTY IN ABSENCE OF WELL LAID PROGRAM

### Advisory Council Expected to Be Appointed to Survey Possibility of Enlarging Work.

Cramped in various corners and little opportunity for the planning and erection of equipment for what is considered a model, modern playground for city children. Of the twenty-five municipal playgrounds there is only one that can be considered a model. It is the Rosedale ground at 17th and Kramer streets

One of the chief difficulties which have stood in the way of developing of model playgrounds in the District of Columbia is the lack of any well laid program for the purchase of playground space. While plans have been mapped out and those who have been interested have appealed to the appropriating authority, the only answer is a small appropriation now and then which permits of the purchase of some isolated piece of ground—isolated so far as its fitting in with a general scheme of playgrounds to suit all parts of the city is concerned, it was pointed out.

Survey of New Sites.

### Survey of New Sites.

arrangement looking to the care of all the children of the city on some playground space, it is expected that the Commissioners will consider this week, at a board meeting, the question of the appointment of an advisory council to survey the city and map out parcels of land which should be purchased in order to give the kiddles of the capital city a place to play near their homes. A number of names are to be suggested to them, and it is expected that they will select an active committee to begin work in a short time.

Work in a short time.

The rapidity with which the city is growing makes it imperative that quick action be taken on this recommendation of the children's bureau that such an advisory council should be appointed. Unless purchases are made quickly there is a great possibility that the future generations of young District of Columbia will be in a worse condition from the standpoint of playgrounds than the little kiddies of today.

Strong efforts are to be made this year to have all of the school playgrounds kept open during the coming summer in order to provide play space for the children in the sections in which

summer in order to provide play space for the children in the sections in which they are located. Under the present arrangement the school playgrounds are only open for a short period during the summer while the schools are in session for those pupils who have cer-tain studies to make-up before they are

### Closing Declared Handleap

The closing of the school playgrounds for any part of the summer at a time when the children are roaming the streets and in great need of having some supervised play space is declared to be a serious handican to the playground movement. This, of course, is no criticism of the school officials. It is a matter of law, as the fundslare provided to

keep them open and supervised for the winter school period and the short sum-mer school period.

However, last year the Commis-sioners made an appeal to the citizens for a fund to keep some of

model playground and what it should have, experts say that every playground should be equipped for the little children with sand boxes and such small apparatus as slides, teeters and swings. A space must be left for circular and singing games and for simple folk dances and descentic play

### Equipment for Older Children.

For the older children there should be slides, swings, giant strides, traveling rings, ocean waves, attempted to reach the lever, but was parallel bars and horizontal bark unable to do so. parallel bars and horizontal bars. The larger grounds should contain all the things mentioned above, and in addition have base ball diamonds.

children of all ages. One of the prin- crush she was pulled out of the car cipal needs of the city right now is playground space for young boys and girls of the city who do not finish their school courses here, but leave for various reasons and go to work. Consideration of the playground needs of the Capital city, it was pointed out, should not fail to take into consideration this large portion of the child population.

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child population.

The need for playgrounds for these little workers also brings up the necessity in Washington of having the playgrounds lighted until about 9:30 o'clock each night, in order to permit these people to obtain the fullest enjoyment out of the playgrounds. At the present time there is no provision for lighting the local playgrounds, and they are closed with the arrival of darkness each night. The necessity for closing them at dusk does not permit of their full use, and robs the children, particularly the proponents and Opponents of robs the children, particularly tworking children, of much outdorecreation which they much need.

### CHARGED WITH MURDER.

LCNDON, March 27 .- A coroner's jury, which held an inquest over the cular children on the Upshur street body of Gertrude Yates, otherwise tract owned by the government. Olive Young, whose body was found

# Insane Woman, High in Treetop, Defies Rescuers for 19 Hours

After defying hospital authorities, sleepily upward, apparently enjoying members of the police and fire departments and officials of the Army and ly had disowned her husband, but she pital, who climbed a fire ladder placed

The fire department, under the direction of Chief Watson, previously had lots of the city as they are, there is placed about the foot of the ravine several wide fire nets in anticipation that the patient would carry out frenzy. threats to leap the distance of some hundred feet to the rocks below. The peculiar situation brought about by the woman's escape completely stopped the routine work of the Government Hospital for the In northeast. However, when the proposed new plaza playground is completed, the municipal piaygrounds department will have another model added, but this will be on loaned grounds.

One of the chief difficulties which have stood in the way of developing of model playgrounds in the District of Columbia is the lack of any well laid program for the purchase of a hat.

> Keeps Up a Harrangue "You can't fool me," she said. The baby, a fifteen-month-old boy, looked

shock to a score of passengers on a

one-man street car of the Washing-

ton Railway and Electric Company,

street, this morning, when the con-

charge of the car, attempted to pacify

to get to an exit and the emergency door-opening lever in the rear of the car was utterly disregarded when the

started swirling through the car.

Six Taken to Hospital.

the cases was pronounced serious.

of 1120 5th street, suffering from

Miss Glidden Sanderson, thirty, col-

ored, of 1851 3d street northeast;

Sallie Shipworth, thirty, colored

street, shock and injured ankle; Lil-

street, sprained ankle; Edward

Crocket, thirty, colored, 415 Q street,

Five Refuse Treatment.

Miss Gladys E. Renneberger, em-

ployed by the Washington Railway

and Electric Company in the trans-

ing of a lever would open a door at the rear end, reported that she

Unable to Reach Rear.

In the scramble for windows and the

front exit, she said, she was unable

School for Tubercular Heard.

The Senate District committee this

ponents and opponents of the Phipps

bill directing the District Commission

ers to erect the new school for tuber-

Col. Keller, the Engineer Commis-

cuts on hands and knees.

street, shock.

They were:

shock.

Navy for about nineteen hours, Mrs. recognized him when he brought the Annie Lymboropolos, an inmate of St. baby this morning. Throughout the Elizabeths Hospital, was rescued night and all this morning she kept from her perilous perch in a tree, leaning over the edge of a ravine seventy-five feet deep, in the hospital grounds, at 12:30 o'clock today by T. W. Southall, an attendant of the hospital, who climbed a fire ladder placed since & o'clock vesterday evening to pital, who climbed a fire ladder placed on top of a fifty-foot improvised scaffold, and carried the protesting woman to safety.

The rescue was rendered exceedingly difficult because of the determination of the woman to remain in the tree, and she used all her strength and energy to prevent Southail from carrying her down the ladder. Several hundred officials and attaches of the nospital held their breaths while sni was subdued.

Fire Nets Spread Below.

## Exhausted by Exposure.

The woman was taken in charge by nurses of the hospital and was carried back to her ward in a state of

She did not put up the fight, how ever, that had been expected, due, United States army of occupation on

attaches of the hospital described as vitality and endurance found only in one of her condition. Clad only in a white skirt and waist, when she climbed the tree her bare feet and limbs bled profusely at times throughout the night

limbs bled profusely at times throughout the night.

The woman was in a special room of the Q ward last evening when she suddenly broke the pane of glass in the window and without warning leaped some ten feet to the ground. Nurses ran through the doorway after the patient who in the meantime

# 11 INJURED IN PANIC ALLIES FORMULATE In an effort to bring some orderly reangement looking to the care of

### Men Push Aside Women to Foreign Ministers Forward Get to Entrance of One-Man **Memorandum** to Nations Car—Six at Hospital.

PARIS, March 27. - Turkey is conceded nearly all her claims, except those to Adrianople and part of eastbetween 12th and 13th streets on G ern Thrace, in the memorandum which the allied foreign ministers totroller box' caught fire. Several pas- day forwarded to Athens, Angora and agagers jumped through the windows. Constantinople, with a view to its Motorman-Conductor R. Carter, in acceptance as a preliminary peace settlement, revising the treaty of

to Settle Difficulties.

the passengers, without result. Men Sevres. pushed back women in their effort cry of "fire" went up and smoke Adrianople is excluded.

League of Nations Protection. Constantinople remains Turkey's Six of those injured were taken to and she retains Armenia, with the Emergency Hospital, where none of population under league of nations protection, but she loses the Gallipoli Olga Maresglia, twenty years old,

peninsula and Mesopotamia. The foreign ministers give the Greek and Turkish belligerents three weeks in which to reply to the proposed terms.

Dealing with Armenia, the document says:
"The situation of the Armenians Sallie Shipworth, thirty, colored, has received special consideration as much on account of the obligation Ross, thirty-six, colored, of 203 R contracted by the allied powers during the war as on account of the cruel
suffering endured by that people. Consequently the aid of the league of nations is sought, in addition to the provisions made for the protection of
minorities, with a view to satisfying
the traditional aspirations of the armenian people and the establishment lian Bardt, seventeen, 3622 11th

# menian people and the establishment of a national home for them."

citizens for a fund to keep some of these playgrounds open, and the result was that the Grover Cleveland, Fairbrother, Jefferson, Emery, Arthur, Bryan, Giddings, Phelps, Langston-Slater and Garfield school playgrounds were kept open.

Returning to the point of the model playground and what it should shock; Mrs. Grace Davis, thirty-five, but it specifies that the territory now inhabited by the Armenian control of the model playground and what it should shock; Mrs. Grace Davis, thirty-five, but it specifies that the territory now inhabited by the Armenian control of a national home for them."

Under Turkish Sovereignty.

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The document does not mention any particular territory where the naof 20 K street, bruises to face, and inhabited by the Armenians shall be Miss C. A. Buckley of 138 Bryant under Turkish sovereignty.

With regard to the Dardanelles the communication reads: "The Turks are allowed again on the Asiatic shore of the Dardanelles, but the interests of peace and security portation department, who knew of the interests of peace and security the emergency equipment on the for the future require that Europe rear of the car, which by the throwshall never again be exposed to the perils and sacrifices imposed upon it in 1914 by the closing of the Dardanelles, and the condition for the return of the Turks to the proximity of the straits is the establishment of a wide demilitarized zone, making any military projects in that region impossible.

possible.
"An allied force of occupation must tennis courts, schlag fields, soccer fields and basket ball courts.

However, Washington has but one playground now which boasts of all these privileges considered so necessary to meet the play demands of sary to meet the play demands of courts.

"An allied force of occupation must be placed and remain on the Gallipoli peninsula, however, to assure free-men there to pull the lever, when two men, one on each side of her pushed her one way and another, in their scramble for a window. After the straightful are of all area. One of the principal powers interested, including Greece."

## WANTS ONE-MONTH PERIOD.

the jostling to which she had been Proposed Armistice Conditionally Approved by the Subline Porte.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 25.—The sublime porte considers the armistice proposal of the allied foreign mincar on which the accident occurred this morning had been out of the shops only three days, he said, and its cause was unaccountable. The presence of mind of some person, he said, to turn the emergency lever would have alleviated the situation greatly.

PHIPPS BILL HEARING.

Proponents and Opponents of School for Tubercular Heard.

GREEKS ACCEPT PROPOSAL afternoon gave a hearing to the pro-

Willing for Casation of Hostilities With Turk Nationalists.

PARIS, March 26 .- The Greek gov-PARIS, March 26.—The Greek gov-ernment has accepted the proposal made by the alli of foreign ministers last week for an armistice between Greece and the Turkish nationalists. The reply to the proposal of the ministers, however, contains techniolive Young, whose body was found con Relief, the Engineer Commissions time ago in the bathroom of her sioner; Senator Phipps, and representiat in Kensington, today returned a tatives of the Piney Branch Citizens' The reply to the proposal of the verdict of willful murder against Maj. Ronald True, an English aviator, who lived some time in the United States.

# **AMERICAN CITIZENS**

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Individuals With Claims for Lives or Property See Hopes Dwindling.

### **BONDS MAY BE ISSUED** ON ALIEN HOLDINGS HERE

Special Methods Seem Needed When Berlin Balks on Army Bill.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.

America's difficulties in collecting sums due her from Germany are 000,000 due American citizens whose Mrs. Lymboropolos displayed what relatives lost their lives in the Lusitania disaster and Americans whose property was seized or destroy ed by Germany during the war.

tiently waiting for the German gov ernment to pay them. But it is apparent now that all Germany' assets are mortgaged to the allies ment seemingly cannot get a priority on money spent since the armistice in maintaing its Army. The legal representatives of the host of American claimants, who include the stockholders of such big concerns as the American Radiator Company, Standard Oil Company, National Cash Register Company, National Cash Register Company, are beginning to get anxious about their ciaims. Most of these companies had properties in Germany which were selzed or fluidated by the German custodian of alien property.

Allies' Claims National Cash Gain Support for Company of alien property. and even the United States govern

### Allies' Claims First.

If the German government cannot By the Associated Press.

pay American claims because all INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 27.—
funds must first go to satisfy the With plans complete for the nationclaims of the allied governments, then wide coal strike, union leaders here the American claimants must look to today awaited developments in their the United States government for program for a complete tie-up of the satisfaction. The Harding administructure country's coal industry through their tration has been trying to evolve a call to 260,000 non-union miners to policy which would be in harmony with American tradition. It has not felt kindly toward the idea of confiscating German property as a means of raising the money to pay American claimants against the German government. The feeling of President Harding and Secretary Hughes has been that the individual owners of German property in America were

settlement, revising the treaty of settlement, revising the treaty of settlement, revising the treaty of settlement does not care to confiscate or man property.

The Enos-Midia line in Thrace is ment does not care to confiscate or man property.

But how are the American claimants to be paid? There are two ways and the linited been left to the discretion of the discretio proposed. One is that the United States government shall directly reimburse the claimants and collect in the far off future from Germany. The other is that the German property now held by the alien property custodian here be retained indefinitely and that bonds be issued against it and these bonds turned over to the impensivation of the discretion of and that bonds be issued against it the non-union fields centered largely and these bonds turned over to the American claimants, who colld sell them and realize cash value. Thus the German property would be held intact for many years and as soon as the German government redeemed the bonds the property would go back to the lawful owners. Such a scheme is the union hoped to draw into the lawful owners. Such a scheme is the union hoped to draw into the in effect in South Africa and has the sanction of the British government.

Clearing House Fund. The British central government, as well as the Australian and other co- Lewis was not at headquarters here Pennsylvania avenue. lonial governments, are applying a today, having advised his office that somewhat different system. All the he expected to return here from British claims against Germany are satisfied out of a clearing house fund. This fund is accumulated from the officers were also absent, Secretary proceeds of liquidation of German William Green being at his home property, which, by the terms of the in Coshocton, Ohio, and Vice Presi-Versailles treaty, can be retained or dent Philip Murray in New York, to sold as the case may be, and the derman owners are in turn recomnensed by the German government's subcommittee in conference with anthracite operators over a new German owners are in turn recomclearing house for debts of this kind. The policy of the allies has by no means been definitely evoived, but the allies can apply the German property reparations if they like.

American policy depends entirely on the wishes of Congress, by whose authority the German property in America was originally seized. While the contrary they expected the authority the German property in America was originally seized. While it is true that American claims the settlement. pensed by the German government's

BY JANE COMPTON.

NEW YORK, March 27 .- "Don's take the Shifter seriously, or the

This statement made today by

Mrs, Helen R. Bradley, director of

the Service Club of the Girls' Pro-

bation and Protective Society,

epitomizes the more sensible view

of this freak cult which has swept

the country from Atlantic to Pa-

cific in the past two weeks and has

set educators, clergy, women's clubs and parents' associations seething. •
"To sensible, well balanced girls,

"To sensible, well balanced girls, the thing is a joke pure and simple," said Mrs. Bradley. "To scatter-brained girls it may conceivably be the beginning of evil. In either case it is a symptom of that desire to startle people which the new freedom has implanted in the young people of today. Consequently the more people that are startled the more Shifters there will be. I suggest as a cure the humoreus attitude and the somewhat ironic smile.

humoreus attitude and the some-what ironic smile.

"The modern girl likes to be a bit dangerous. She has more free-dom and gains it younger than the girl of any other phase in his-tory. That is one reason why the Shifter's idea has spread so fast and far. Modern girls like to shock their eiders. Oh, why do you wear so much powder and rouge? I ask one of my girls. Because it gets such a rise out of mother, she answered. Another girl who went in for sunset effects in rouge told me she did it to horrify her work-

Special Dispatch to The Star.

jeke's on you."

SHIFTER CLUB FEARED AS IMMORAL

### PRESIDENT SIGNS BILL RESTORING RIGHTS TO 80,000 U. S. WORKERS President Harding today signed

aginary tree, the birds broke their necks.

ORGANIZERS WORK

ing Strike.

Officials at Homes.

International President John L

smiles.
"I have a daughter in Barnard,

the bill, recently passed by Senate and House, restoring the rights of retirement to \$0.000 government employes recently denied them by a decision of the Attorney General, who held that those "covered" into the classified service by executive order were not eligible for retire-

News Note-Painted tree in Cleveland Ohio, lures birds. While trying to alight in this im-

ment.

The bill makes it possible for those administering the retirement law to so construe its language as to include in the benefits of the law the approximately 80,000 employes who did not take regular examinations for the service, but were given classified status by executive order.

Signing of the bill by the President today set at rest fears that approximately 6,000 retired employes, of whom nearly 1,000 live here, would be deprived of their April 1 annuity checks.

### Expected to Turn First Spadeful at Beginning of Meade Memorial.

It is expected that President Harding will turn the first spadeful of earth at the exercises tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock incident to the commencement of the construction of the Meade Memorial, to be crected near the northwest corner of the Botanic Garden at a point near fraction above 8 cents. the intersection of 3d street and

accompanied by Mrs. Harding, a distinguished gathering will be present, Springfield, Ill., his home, on Wednesincluding the Secretary of War, who day. Other of the union's executive will open the ceremonies as chairman of the National Meade Memorial Commission; Gov. Sproul of Pennsylvania, which state is providing the funds for the construction of the memorial; Chief Justice Taft of the Supreme Court of the United States and Mrs. Taft; Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, former chief of staff, U. S. A.; a number of Pennsylvania state officials, and prominent citizens of that commonwealth, and nearly a score of relatives and descendants of

### Ceremonies Begin at 2.

The arrangements have been made under the direction of Col. C. O. Sheragainst Germany are estimated at \$300,000,000, a mixed claims commission is about to be set up by Germany and the United States to ad
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(Continued on Page 2, Column 3.) rial Commission. The ceremonies are scheduled to commence at 2 o'clock. The official opening will be made by Secretary Weeks. After a brief address he will introduce Gov. Sproul, IS CALLED JUST A STARTLING FAD who will preside during the remainder of the program. The only other address will be made by Gen. other address will be made by Gen.
Miles. Music will be supplied by the
Army band from Washington barracks, under the direction of Maj.
Ed L. Dyer, in charge of the music
school at the Washington barracks.
Representatives of the Grand Army
of the Republic, the Army of the Potomac, the Loyal Legion and other
veteran and patriotic organizations
and a delegation of the Pennsylvania
National Guard will participate in the
ceremonies. ing girl friends, 'It's more fun,' she said.

'So it seems to me that the best way to treat the Shifters is to say as little as possible about them. And what you do say, say it with smiles. "I have a daughter in Barnard, where the Shifters, of course, are numerous. Don't get excited about it, mother,' she told me; 'you wouldn't if you could hear the girls kiding one another. It's all a big joke."

But city authorities here and elsewhere are figuring whether the Shifters, organized first in fun, have not gone too far. Shifter The actual construction work will ommence immediately at the con-

# D. C. DAY SIDETRACKED.

## Chairman Focht Protests Forfeiture

of Committee Rights.

eisewhere are figuring whether the Shifters, organized first in fun, have not gone too far. Shifter "initiation" fees have grown to the point where "graft" is suggested, and six separate times within the past forty-eight hours men have stepped up to strange girls and kissed them because each wore a Shifter pin. These pins are selling at 8 cents each on every downtown street corner. The Shifter step is being writhed at every public and private dance. You can't walk down Broadway without someone blandly asking if you are a Shifter and trying to pin a badge or snap a clip on you.

Such organization as the Vacation Society and other girls' associations see in the fad a breaking down of girls' morals as grave as that effected by the war and jazz. Officials of girls' clubs argue that for a girl to accost a strange man on the street, even in jest; for her to accept a present from him, even of candy; and for her to run the risk of being kissed by a passer-by merely because both wear the metal Shifter clip, indicates a lack of self respect. District day was again set aside in he House, and the Army appropriation bill, which was unfinished business, was under consideration today. Chairman Focht of the House Dis- ber of years, and was appointed astrict committee protested against the forfeiture of the rights of his committee at a time when there is considerable legislation of importance to the District pending. He said, however, that in view of the fact that there appears to be greater interest in the Army appropriation bill, and in view of the fact that the House leaders have promised to give extra time in the House for consideration of important District business, he had consented to step aside. The so-called pawnbrokers' bill is unfinished business on the District calendar, and was expected to come up today.

By the Associated Press.

LIVERPOOL, March 27.—Twenty-inventoring and shipbuilding trades here have decided to go on strike tomorrow as a result of a sudden announcement by the employers putting national wage reductions into force. The Newcastle and Southampton unions have voted to take similar action.

# LIGHT RATE CU

### Five Per Cent Reduction Because of Injunction Not to Affect Consumer.

A reduction in electric light rates s expected to be made by the Public Utilities Commission this week, it was eported at the District building It was reliably indicated today

that the commission would order a 5 per cent cut from present household rate of the Potomac Electric Power

company, for the reason that under the terms of the injunction the company is only permitted to keep the amount allowed by the commission, setting aside the balance to be returned to consumers if the commisalon's valuation is sustained.

It is understood the cut to be ordered by the commission at this time

### Rate Reduced Last Year.

For several years after the injunction was obtained the commission's rate was 8 cents even and the company impounded 2 cents. Then the commission allowed an increase to

1½ cents and the company set aside
1½ cents.

Last summer the commission oriered a 5 per cent reduction from the
3½ cents rate, which made the rate
a fraction above 8 cents.

Whatever change in the present
rate is ordered by the commission at
this time will have to be approved
by the District Supreme Court before
it becomes effective, because of the
1917 injunction, which remains in effect until the litigation is settled.

The immediate effect of a 5 per The immediate effect of a 5 cent cut in the rate would be to crease the amount the company m

### WILLIAM PHILLIPS NAMED TO SUCCEED FLETCHER

### Massachusetts Man Appointed by President Harding as Undersecretary of State.

William Phillips of Massachusetts

Belgium.

At the same time the President named Leland Harrison, of Illinois, to be assistant secretary of state to succeed Frederick M. Dearing.

These nominations were sent to the Senate by the President this afternoon and it is expected at the White House that they will be readily confirmed. It is understood that each of the President's selections were made upon the recommendation of Secretary of State Hughes.

The newly selected undersecretary of state has been in the diplomatic service for a number of years and is at present the United States minister to The Hague. Mr. Harrison has been in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service a number of years, and was appointed asbeen in the diplomatic service the president to a subject to the convention in unanimously adopting a resolution resulting the convention in unanimously adopting a resolution resulting the convention of the convention in unanimously adopting a resolution resulting the delegates allegiance to the Irish Industry allegates alle

he was appointed undersecretary.

## 25,000 TO STRIKE.

# ULSTER TO SEND ENVOYS TO IRISH PARLEY IN LONDON

TWO CENTS.

Cabinet Decides to Take Part in Efforts to Check Present Border Crisis.

## REPUBLICANS AND FREE STATERS IN RIFLE CLASH

### Death Toll in Belfast Disorders Reaches Fifty-Six-Snipers Shoot Farmer Dead.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, March 27.—The Irish Free State bill passed its third and final reading in the house of lords today.

BELFAST, March 27.-The Ulster cabinet today accepted the invitation extended by Colonial Secretary Churchill to a conference in London of Irish leaders, called in view of the disturbed conditions in Ireland.

Premier Sir James Craig, telegraphing acceptance in behalf of the Ulster cabinet, said members of the northern government will arrive in

### Promise Death for Death,

A notice posted near the town hal! in Dundalk, County Louth, a strong Sinn Fein center, near the northern border of the free state territory. calls attention to the absence of any resolution by the non-Catholic body of County Louth against murderous acts, and calls upon the Protestants to "act immediately, failing which we are determined to use the same means as they in Belfast used to our fellow Catholics."

fellow Catholics."
"On and after March 29," adds the notice, "for every Catholic man, woman, boy, girl or child murdered or maltreated, so also shall the same quantity of helpers of the systematic murder of our fellow Catholics meet the same fate."

The notice concludes the same fate.

The notice concludes; "Signed by order of the silent but sure mes sengers."

Seven Week-End Murders.

Deaths in the hospitals of two wounded persons late last night brought the total of fatalities in the disorders of the week end to seven.

Up to 6 o'clock Sunday evening the total number of persons killed thus far in March in the disorders here was fifty-six. They included fifty civilians, three regular regular regular regular regular regular. rate of the Potomac Electric Power
Company, effective April 1.

Any lowering of the rate will not be felt by the users of current immediately, however, in view of the injunction obtained by the Potomac Electric Power Company in 1917, which permits them to collect the old rate of 10 cents per kilowatt hour until the United States Supreme Court settles the question of whether the valuation placed on the companys property by the commission is fair.

Company Would Feel Cut.

A reduction would be felt by the

### day in the hospitals of persons wounded in affrays last week

First Death on Border. The first fatality along the disputed border between the north and south occurred yesterday, when a man feeding cattle near Callendon was the by a spiner from the Free was shot by a sniper from the Free State side and died later in the Ar-Should the company finally win in the valuation case it would get the border continued yesterday and two money impounded since 1917, now bridges were blown an at Carrick-amounting to more than \$2,000,000.

more, Tyrone.

The funeral of Owen MacMahon, the saloonkeeper, and the members of his family who were murdered in their home early Friday morning were held yesterday. Large crowds attended. Joseph Devlin, irish nationalist member of parliament for Belfast, was among the mourners.

### IRISH TROOPS CLASH.

### Republicans and Free Saters in Three-Hour Rifle Duel. By the Associated Press.

commission allowed an increase to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cents and the company set aside 1\frac{1}{2}\$ cents.

London Fraction above \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cents cents.

London Fraction attacked the police barracks at Newtown Cunning-early Sunday. After a rifle duel of three hours' duration, the attacking party retired, leaving six prisoners and several wounded. and several wounded Oriel House, near Omeath, close to the County Louth-Armagh border, the residence of J. C. Bentley, which was about to be taken over for the Ulster police, was burned to the ground with its contents Saturday night.

## ARMY DEMANDS REPUBLIC

### Free Staters Condemn Action at Republican Convention. DUBLIN, March 27.-The convention

of Irish republican army members, of Irish republican army members, which had been forbidden by the dail eireann cabinet, ended its lengthy session late last night without exciting any outward demonstrations or ruffling the usual Sunday life of the city.

The provisional Free State government made no attempt to interfere with the proceedings and has not definitely stated it will take any action, although it is generally supposed that those who at to be undersecretary of state, to succeed William P. Fletcher, who has been appointed ambassador to Belgium.

At the same time the President

"In all democratically governed coun-"In all democratically governed countries, including republics like France and America, the army is strictly subject to the control of civil authority, or the government for the time being. Wherever departures from that constitutional system have taken place, grave events, sometimes amounting to estab-lishment of a military dictatorship, have

The correspondent of the Free-man's Journal at Charleville, County Cork, has been arrested. Apparent-ly, says the newspaper, the Irish re-publican army authorities there were offended by his report of an c'tempt (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)